

REMARKS

Claims 12-29 are pending in the present application. Claim 29 is amended for clarity and is supported by the specification as originally filed. No new matter is believed to be added by this amendment.

Applicants submit that the present application is ready for examination on the merits. Early notice to this effect is earnestly solicited.

Respectfully submitted,

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IN THE CLAIMS

Please amend Claim 29 as follows:

29. (Amended) *Escherichia coli* JM109 (pLRE) FERM BP6908.